Lexington Human Services Department COVID-19 Resource List



The Town of Lexington Human Services Department connects residents to services that promote health and well-being. If you need assistance finding food, paying housing bills, accessing transportation, picking up prescriptions, locating mental health resources, or finding other essential services call us at 781-698-4840, Monday through Friday from 8:30am to 4:30pm. We have collated a resource list to assist residents with essential needs in anticipation of the impacts of COVID-19. Please note that this situation is fluid and changing on a daily basis therefore these resources may change. Call us at 781-698-4840 or visit lexingtonma.gov/human-services for updated information.

GROCERY/FOOD/ESSENTIAL NEEDS

Lexington Interfaith Food Pantry: Located at Church of Our Redeemer (6 Meriam St, Lexington); open Saturdays 9:30 am to 11:00 am, delivery option available. The food pantry is for low income Lexington residents.

Contact: www.lexingtonfoodpantry.org or lexfoodpantry@gmail.com or 781-861-5060.

Lexington Public School District: Providing breakfast and lunch options for students in need during the closure. The District will provide all LPS students who are enrolled in the free and reduced-cost meal program with breakfast and lunch bags Monday through Friday until school is back in session. The District is contacting eligible families with further details. For questions regarding orders, please contact Kevin Silvia at 781-861-2320 x69107 or ksilvia@lexingtonma.org. If you believe you are eligible, but have not received a communication, please contact David Coelho (dcoelho@lexingtonma.org). Families who need transportation or assistance with delivery should contact Johnny Cole, LPS Director of Equity and Student Supports (icole@lexingtonma.org).

Visit: https://sites.google.com/lexingtonma.org/equity/home

Neighbor Brigade: Mobilizes fully vetted volunteers to help residents facing sudden crisis. Volunteers provide non-medical, non-monetary services. Offering the following services: Grocery store runs; Pharmacy runs to pick up and deliver medication; Meal delivery from local restaurants or commercial kitchens.

Contact: www.neighborbrigade.org/lexingtonma or 855-241-HELP.

Help Around Town: Connects jobs and helpers available for tasks related to COVID-19. Paid or volunteer.

Contact: www.HelpAroundTown.com/categories/covid-19

Chinese American Association of Lexington (CAAL): Launched a portal (http://covid19help.weform.net) for those in need of assistance as well as those looking to volunteer. Volunteers are able to assist with food shopping and meal delivery for those who are in isolation or quarantine and/or unable to obtain groceries/meals. CAAL also has surgical masks (not N95) available if you have an urgent need. Use the contact info above to request them. These masks and/or funds to purchase them were donated by generous Lexington residents.

Contact: Sign up at http://covid19help.weform.net or email Weidong Wang at weidong@yahoo.com or Hua Wang at hua_o_wang@yahoo.com or call 339-970-8550.

Chinese Americans of Lexington (CALex): CALex has a volunteer team with over 80 parents. If people need help, please reach out to us. Local restaurant gift cards are available to those in need. Special thanks to Chinese Americans of Lexington (CALex) for donating these. Contact Human Services for more information at 781-698-4840.

Contact: https://calexma.org/contact-us/ or email help2020@calexma.org

GROCERY/FOOD/ESSENTIAL NEEDS CONTINUED

Twyrl@Home: restaurant in Arlington that prepares and delivers pasta meals. Through April 15th when you purchase a meal, they will deliver two free meals to a senior in the community (includes Lexington).

Contact: twyrlhome.com/senior-citizen-initiative or 781-859-3123 or ankatwyrlhome@gmail.com

Wilson Farm, Lexington, MA: Offering free grocery delivery for online orders.

Visit: www.mercato.com/shop/wilson-farm or www.wilsonfarm.com

Market Basket, Burlington, MA: Hours for seniors only on Tues/Wed/Thurs 5:30 am to 7:00 am.

Contact: 781-273-3673, located at 43 Middlesex Turnpike, Burlington, MA.

Stop and Shop, Lexington, MA: Hours for those age 60+ only from 6:00 am to 7:30 am daily.

Contact: 781-861-0457, located at 36 Bedford St, Lexington, MA.

TRANSPORTATION

Lexington Transportation Services: As of March 23rd, Lexpress will move to an on-demand service for essential outings only. The LexConnect taxi will continue operation however, please take precautions when riding taxis given the close quarters.

Contact: www.lexpress.us or have people email us at transportation@lexingtonma.gov or 781-698-4821 to find the latest information.

PHARMACIES

Theatre Pharmacy: 781-862-4480. \$12 delivery fee via taxi service.

CVS, Lexington, MA: 781-862-4080. Delivery depends on eligibility.

Walgreens, Lexington, MA: 781-863-1111. Delivery option available, all fees waived.

MENTAL HEALTH

William James Interface Referral Service: is a mental health and wellness referral Helpline. This is a free, confidential referral service for individuals across the lifespan living in Lexington.

Contact: 888-244-6843 (toll free) available Monday through Friday, 9 am-5 pm

GENERAL, STATE OR COMMUNITY SUPPORT, AND CONSTITUENT SERVICES NEEDS

State Senator Mike Barrett: Contact, Mike Barrett at mike.barrett@masenate.gov; Legislative Aide Brendan Berger at brendan.berger@masenate.gov. Telephone: 617-722-1572.

State Senator Cindy Friedman: Contact, Cindy Friedman at cindy.friedman@masenate.gov; Legislative Aide Dave Swanson at david.swanson@masenate.gov. Telephone: 617-722-1432.

State Representative Michelle Ciccolo: Contact, Michelle Ciccolo at michelle.ciccolo@mahouse.gov or www.MichelleCiccolo.com; Legislative Aide Mason Heilman at Mason.Heilman@mahouse.gov. Telephone: 617-722-2210 x 3 and GoogleVoice: 781-330-0730.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Lexington Refugee Assistance Program (LexRAP): Supports and assists refugees and asylum seekers in need of assistance which includes a support network for basic needs, education (especially English), employment, legal aid, and socialization. In partnership with First Parish of Lexington, LexRAP is ready to assist those impacted by COVID-19. Contact: www.lexrap.org or Omar Khudari omar@khudari.net

Intergenerational Outreach Club (IOC): A group of Lexington High School student volunteers who have partnered with Help Around Town to assist Seniors with needed tasks free of charge.

Contact: Darren Tran at 22tran@lexingtonma.org or Armann Tipirneni at 22tipirneni@lexingtonma.org

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

See if your neighbors need help: The Town has made postcards available that you can send to your neighbors to see if they need anything. You can either <u>fill out the postcards online and print them</u>, or get them from the displays on the front door of the Community Center, Public Services Building, Town Office Building, or Cary Memorial Library.

DONATIONS

If you would like to help those in need, contact any of these organizations directly. Or make a monetary donation to the **Fund for Lexington**, which is used to help residents during difficult situations and is accessed through the Human Services Department. Mail a donation to: Fund For Lexington, Trustees of Public Trusts, 1625 Massachusetts Avenue, Lexington, Massachusetts 02420. For more information visit: https://www.lexingtonma.gov/lexhelp